

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**COOPER RIVER YACHT CLUB (CRYC)**  
**SAILOR'S CODE OF CONDUCT**  
**(Mandatory Review and Signatures Required)**

CRYC offers you the chance to learn to sail and enjoy the Cooper River Park. While it is our intention for sailors to have fun, it is necessary that there be some restrictions on behavior. The primary reason for this is safety. Most rules directly or indirectly address safety issues. Cooperation related to these guidelines and rules is necessary. You will learn to steer new Precision sailboats and to adjust the sails to change the sailboat speed. You will learn about moving your body in the boat from side to side to prevent the sailboat from tipping. To participate in this sailing class, you must follow the guidelines and rules. Any student who is unwilling to sail or participate in the sailing program activities will be sent home and parents will be contacted.

**Here are some guidelines to help you learn about sailing:**

1. Work hard to improve your sailing skills. Everyone wants to help you learn to sail.
2. Be a team player - get along with your classmates and accept all assigned sailing partners.
3. Listen, ask questions, and watch others to see how you can improve your sailing skills.
4. Respect your sailing instructor, fellow students, and the yacht club members at all times.
5. Ask your instructors for help as needed.
6. Please let everyone take a turn with all the different jobs on the sailboat.
7. Cooperate with everyone, particularly instructors, classmates and yacht club members.
8. It is okay to assist other students if they need help following the guidelines.
9. If you cannot follow instructions, you should not participate in this sailing class. You should be able to remember instructions that are divided into four or five steps.
10. Do not play dodge ball or other ball games before, during, or after class. This is a sailing class.
11. Provide honest and complete answers to questions. Wait your turn to answer questions.
12. Learn and accept the responsibilities that come with steering and crewing on a boat.

**Here are some of the rules that must be followed at all times:**

1. The possession of alcohol, tobacco, and illegal substances at any time will result in immediate expulsion from the program.
2. No weapons, knives, or sharp objects of any kind are permitted and will also result in expulsion.
3. Wear a Portable Floatation Device (PFD, lifejacket) when near the water, on the dock or sailing in a boat. It needs to be the right size, be properly adjusted and securely fastened.
4. Safety first. Unsafe behavior on or near the water is prohibited. Listen and follow instructions.
5. Do not operate power equipment or powerboats. Do not sit on the powerboats.
6. Ask an instructor to operate the boat hoist (electric motor) when you need to put a boat into the water or remove a boat from the water.
7. Keep your hands to yourself. Do not touch or push other students.
8. Rude language, profanity, and bad comments are not allowed.
9. Do not fight, throw rocks, swim or wade in the water.
10. Treat everyone fairly regardless of gender, ethnic origin, race, religion or sexual orientation.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (Student signature) understand this Sailor's Code of Conduct, and will hereby abide by it.

A parent or guardian's signature is required if the student is a minor.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (Parent/Guardian's signature) understand this Sailor's Code of Conduct, and will help my student to understand and abide by it.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**If infractions occur, parent/guardian and proper authorities will be notified. Parent or guardian may be asked to come to the yacht club and immediately remove you from the premises.**